



# LAWS OF ALASKA

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## AN ACT

Relating to physician assistants.

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

\* Section 1. AS 08.64.170 is amended to read:

Sec. 08.64.170. LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE OR OSTEO-PATHY. (a) No person may practice medicine or osteopathy in the state unless he is licensed under this chapter, except that a physician assistant may examine, diagnose or treat persons under the supervision, control, and responsibility of either a physician licensed under this chapter or a physician exempted from licensure under sec. 370 of this chapter.

(b) Upon engaging or upon releasing a physician assistant, a physician or a person exempted from licensure under sec. 370 of this chapter shall notify the Department of Health and Social Services, division of public health, of it in writing within 30 days of the engagement or release.

(c) A chiroprapist practicing in the state on the effective date of this Act is exempt from this section.

\* Sec. 2. AS 08.64.360 is amended to read:

Sec. 08.64.360. PENALTY FOR PRACTICING WITHOUT A LICENSE OR IN VIOLATION OF CHAPTER. Except for a physician assistant under sec. 170 of this chapter, a person practicing medicine or osteopathy in the state without obtaining and filing an appropriate license is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction is punishable by a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$100, or by imprisonment for not less than 10 days nor more than 90 days, or by both. Evidence that the defendant has failed to file a license with the clerk of

the court is prima facie evidence that the defendant is not licensed. Each day of illegal practice is a separate offense.

\* Sec. 3. AS 18.05.040 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

(19) the notification of engagement or release of a physician assistant by persons under AS 08.64.170(b).

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